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) Re: *Amendment and response*

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed on October 23, 2006, a response to which is due to be filed, with one-month extension of time, no later than

February 23, 2007.

A request for continued examination and payment for the same accompanies this paper. A petition and payment for an extension of time for response of one month also accompanies this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. **All remarks and amendments herein are made without prejudice.**

Amendments to the Claims are listed beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification are listed beginning on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.